[*Translation*]

Rehabilitation Of Kashmiri, Migrants

5837. (SHRI MOHANLAL JHIKRAM): Will the minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Kashmiri migrants who have not been rehabilitated so far;

(b) the time by which they are likely to be rehabilitated; and

(c) the authority responsible for the safeguard of the properties left over in Kashmir by migrants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M.JACOB) (a) to (c). The permanent rehabilitation of the Kashmiri migrants outside the Valley is not contemplated and it is hoped that the migrants will be able to return to the Valley with the improvement in situation. However, they are being given relief to take care of their basis needs.

Measures to protect the properties left over in the Kashmir Valley by migrants is a part an overall efforts of the State Administration to contain terrorism and restore normalcy in the Valley, for which the Government has stepped up pressure on the terrorists and vigil on the border. Intelligence operations have been further intensified.

[*English*]

Visit Of Namibian President

5838. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the President of Namina visited India in February ,1992; and

(b) if so, the bilateral issues discussed and the outcome there of ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) (a) Yes, Sir,

(b) During his discussions with our leaders, bilateral relations, regional and international issues were covered. Visit resulted in a reaffirmation and consolidation of the close ties between the two countries.

During the visit Indira Gandhi Prize 1990 for peace, Disarmament and Development was conferred on him.

Land Affected By Floods

5839. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the total area of land affected by flood in 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): On the basis of provisional assesment, an area of 5.286 million ha. has been affected by floods during 1991.

Passport Regional Office In Ahmedabad

5840. SHRIMATI DIPIKA H.TOPIWALA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is shortage of Passport Booklets in Ahmedabad Rigional Office; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to improve the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE